

Pat Could Have Crossed Ruby's

Why Did Oswald Stay at the 'Y'?

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DALLAS, Dec. 3— Events in the life of Lee Harvey Oswald two months ago today may be the key to the murder of President Kennedy.

On Oct. 3 Oswald, the President's presumed assassin, checked into the downtown Dallas YMCA, which was frequented by Jack Ruby—the man who eventually was to be Oswald's executioner.

Oswald spent two nights at the YMCA. Then he checked out.

Two months ago today, Texas Gov. John B. Connally was in Washington, conferring with President Kennedy. Was it the same day that a plot against them was being hatched in Dallas?

MYSTERY TRIP

Oswald had just returned from a hasty, mysterious trip to Mexico. The President's trip to Texas, including Dallas, already had been announced.

The route of the presidential motorcade thru Dallas was not yet announced, but dignitaries could be expected

to be driven past the Texas School Book Depository building on the western edge of downtown Dallas in any downtown procession.

Any veteran Dallasite knows that Oswald himself did not know Dallas customs intimately.

Did he meet with one or more persons Oct. 3 and 4 to plan where he would be when the President came to town?

Eleven days later, Oct. 15, Oswald was hired by R. S. Truly, manager of the Texas School Book Depository.

COINCIDENCE?

If the paths of Oswald and Ruby did cross in the YMCA was the encounter a coincidence or was it intentional?

Investigators are marching thru fields of question marks left over from Oct. 3 and 4.

The YMCA is 13 stories high. Federal probers are checking out every guest registered there during those two days. Did any of them ever happen to be in the same place at the same time as Oswald in New York or New Orleans or elsewhere over the past three years?

One thing already is known

about Oswald's two-day stay at the YMCA. He set the stage for mail to be delivered to him there and continued to get letters, mailed in his name, to the YMCA for several weeks. Other mail came to him at other addresses.

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Oswald was jobless on Oct. 14 when he rented an \$8-a-week bedroom in the rooming house at 1026 North Beckley, about a mile from the apartment into which Ruby had recently moved.

The next day Oswald approached Mr. Truly and got his job.

Oswald lived friendlessly in the rooming house as "O. H. Lee." Was this meant to give him a chance to escape, after the Nov. 22 assassination, under an alias and from an address unknown to police?

He was heading in a straight line, with a gun in his pocket, toward the street on which Ruby lived, when Dallas Police Officer J. D. Tippit challenged him and was slain by Oswald, according to witnesses. This changed the direction of Oswald's escape attempt.

Nothing New on Oswald

Soviet File Is No Help '2-3-63

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The Soviet consular file on Lee Harvey Oswald, presumed slayer of President Kennedy, sheds no light on the assassination, it was learned today.

Soviet Ambassador Anatoly F. Dobrynin turned over the file to Secretary of State Dean Rusk Saturday. It was sent to the FBI where it

But it has been learned authoritatively that the whole portfolio contains no new information. Mainly, it consists of Oswald's application for a Soviet visa when he went to Russia after his discharge from the Marine Corps in 1959, his work permit, residence papers and copies of his marriage license. It also contains his application for

permission to return to the United States in 1962, an Soviet documents permitting him to leave the country.

The Russians apparently intended to demonstrate their willingness to help solve the slaying. They were not required to turn the papers over, and this Government had not requested them.

As a key to Oswald's possible motives, one source said, "They aren't worth a hill of beans."

The FBI still is investigating the Kennedy assassination and the subsequent murder of Oswald in the Dallas police station by a night club operator, Jack Ruby. It had hoped to complete its work last week, but there have been delays.

The FBI conclusions will go first to Attorney General

Robert Kennedy, and then to resident Johnson. Mr. Johnson is expected to forward the report as well as the Soviet file to a seven-man commission headed by Chief Justice Earl Warren.

Apparently still unanswered are two highly relevant questions—where Oswald got the money to finance a trip to Mexico City in late September and early October, and the whereabouts of a man identifying himself as Bernard Weissman who paid for a hate advertisement in a morning newspaper on the day Mr. Kennedy arrived in Dallas.

It has been learned that Oswald was in debt, and had not paid any rent on his \$8-a-week room in Dallas. But investigators found \$150 in cash in the room after Oswald was arrested.

Authorities said Oswald spent little, and seldom paid his bills. They said he also drew unemployment compensation during his long periods without work and saved much of that. However, still unanswered was how he could finance his many travels.

Curious Visit Grave

FT. WORTH, Dec. 3 (UPI) — Thousands of morbidly curious persons have filed past the grave of Lee Oswald, President Kennedy's suspected assassin in the last eight days, police reported today.

They said two willing pots of flowers have been left by unidentified persons. Many people have been denied permission to take dirt or flowers from the grave.

The Weather Today

Digest of U. S. Weather Bureau Forecast for the Period Ending at 7 a. m., Dec. 4:

LOCAL — Cloudy cold today with light snow; high in low 40s. Mostly cloudy tonight; low about 30. Tomorrow: cloudy, cold with occasional light snow. Yesterday high 44, overnight low, 34.

TIROS VII (Weather Satellite) — 9:01 a. m. today. Tirots will not take pictures over Washington tomorrow.

NATIONAL — Light rain and possibly some snow—

over the Middle Atlantic seaboard. Snow in New England and the northern states. Light snow in Ohio Valley and Appalachians. Cold in the Gulf and Southwestern states.

Freezing in the central plains, Rockies, and Pacific Northwest.

Lowest temperatures:

Atlanta	28	Jacksonville	-40
Boston	25	Kansas City	25
Brownsville	42	Los Angeles	50
Buffalo	25	Miami	36
Chicago	27	Milwaukee	20
Cincinnati	26	New Orleans	38
Cleveland	25	New York	23
Denver	22	Philadelphia	23
Detroit	20	St. Louis	24
Duluth	5	San Francisco	40
Fl. Worth	27	Seattle	27
G. Falls, Mont.	28	Washington	28

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